ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to inspection reports for certifying that a particular event has actually taken place at a particular date or time, and, where appropriate, at a particular place. The invention provides an inspection apparatus (100) including, in a secure casing, a central processing unit (1), a digital audiovisual device (2) such as a camera and/or a video camera and/or a sound recorder, a clock (3), and a watermarker (4) capable of embedding temporal information provided by the clock (3) in the data stream coming from the audiovisual device (2). The apparatus (100) may include, in addition to the abovementioned devices and depending upon the application envisaged, supplementary incorporated measuring instruments providing digital data, in particular a geographic position measuring device (5) such as a GPS.